ANNUAL USE OF CAPITAL SURVEY - 2009

NAME OF INSTITUTION

(Include Holding Company Where Applicable)

Farmers & Merchants Bank - F&M Bancshares, Inc

Person to be contacted	Laura L McAlexander
regarding this report:	
CPP Funds Received:	
	\$8,144,000
CPP Funds Repaid to	
Date:	\$0
Date Funded (first	
funding):	1/30/2009
Date Repaid¹:	

RSSD:	1135806
(For Bank Holding Companies)	1133000
Holding Company Docket Number:	
(For Thrift Holding Companies)	
FDIC Certificate Number:	
(For Depository Institutions)	8439
City:	Trezevant
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State:	Tennessee

American taxpayers are quite interested in knowing how banks have used the money that Treasury has invested under the Capital Purchase Program (CPP). To answer that question, Treasury is seeking responses that describe generally how the CPP investment has affected the operation of your business. We understand that once received, the cash associated with TARP funding is indistinguishable from other cash sources, unless the funds were segregated, and therefore it may not be feasible to identify precisely how the CPP investment was deployed or how many CPP dollars were allocated to each use. Nevertheless, we ask you to provide as much information as you can about how you have used the capital Treasury has provided, and how your uses of that capital have changed over time. Treasury will be pairing this survey with a summary of certain balance sheet and other financial data from your institution's regulatory filings, so to the extent you find it helpful to do so, please feel free to refer to your institution's quarterly call reports to illustrate your answers. This is your opportunity to speak to the taxpayers in your own words, which will be posted on our website.

What specific ways did your institution utilize CPP capital? Check all that apply and elaborate as appropriate, especially if the uses have shifted over time. Your responses should reflect actions taken over the past year (or for the portion of the year in which CPP funds were outstanding).

	county service area.



¹If repayment was incremental, please enter the most recent repayment date.

To the extent the funds supported increased lending, please describe the major type of loans, if possible (residential mortgage loans, commercial mortgage loans, small business loans, etc.).	Home mortgages have risen by 25% year over year. Funds used for 2.9 million (13%) increase in agricultural-based lending(crop production& long term land loans) 1.8 million const/perm loan for student housing at Bethel University and over 3 million in new church expansion loans are noted.
Increase securities purchased (ABS, MBS, etc.).	
Make other investments	
Increase reserves for non-performing assets	Reserves were boosted in 2009 by 1.4 million with funds used to write down toxic assets. High levels of Reserve Provisions are anticipated for the foreseeable future.

	Reduce borrowings	
X	Increase charge-offs	Asset losses exceeding 1.2 million were absorbed last year.
X	Purchase another financial institution or	4 million in CPP funds currently held at parent company level awaiting further investment. The bank
	purchase assets from another financial institution	is in negotiations with FDIC to potentially acquire some failed bank assets.
	Held as non-leveraged increase to total	See above response
	capital	

What actions were you able to avoid because of the capital infusion of CPP funds?	
Helped to head off a mounting credit crisis for many F&M customers and kept the flow of credit to small businesses and consumers. Funds enabled the bank to fully accommodate credit needs of existing customers and to add new high quality loan clients. Farmers and Small Business operators received credit necessary to operate and in some cases expand. The Agriculture segment continues to thrive but input costs have necessitated more credit availability to accommodate production costs. CPP funds kept bank from having to "cut back" on new loan fundings.	

	What actions were you able to take that you may not have taken without the capital infusion of CPP funds?		
The increased capital enabled Farmers & Merchants to actively promote single family home lending via its Express Mortgage Program and capacit			
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Please describe any other actions that you were able to undertake with the capital infusion of CPP funds.
It permitted loan growth in many segments and helped solidify the institution's reputation as a "fortress bank" which reassures existing and potential customers, employees, and the general public. The bank's decision to expand it's service capabilities in the McKenzie market was partially driven by resources added through CPP.

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